

REMARKS

The Applicants request reconsideration of the rejection.

Claim 11 remains pending.

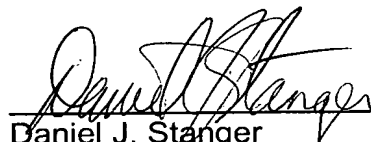
Claim 11 stands rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 3 of U.S. Patent No. 6,783,073. A Terminal Disclaimer is being submitted with this Reply to overcome the rejection, without admitting to its propriety.

In view of the foregoing remarks, the Applicants request withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claims.

To the extent necessary, the Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of Mattingly, Stanger, Malur & Brundidge, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (referencing attorney docket no. H-910-03).

Respectfully submitted,

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